

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the above identified Office Action, Applicant has amended the application and respectfully requests reconsideration thereof.

Amendment of Claims

Claims 21-22, 24-37, and 50-56 have been withdrawn.

Claims 1-4, 11-15, 17-18, 38-40 and 42-48 have been amended to improve form.

Claim 7 has been amended to depend on claim 6.

Claim 10 has been amended to depend on claim 1.

Claim 20 has been amended to depend on claim 1.

Claim 45 has been amended to depend on claim 44.

Claim 38 has been amended to include a limitation of claim 1.

Claims 57 through 60 are new. Support for these claims may be found throughout the specification.

Response to Election/Restrictions

The above-identified Office Action has indicated that restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-7, 10-20, and 38-49;
- II. Claims 33-37 and 50-54; and

III. Claims 21-22, 24-32, 21-32 and 55-56.

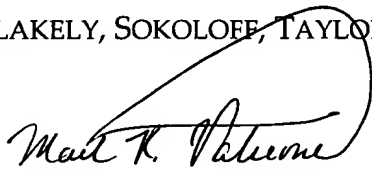
Applicant elects claim set number one (I) with traverse. Please withdraw claim sets number two (II) and number three (III) without prejudice.

If there are any charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a telephone interview would in any way expedite the prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact Mark Vatuone at (408) 947-8200.

Respectfully submitted,

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